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Amendment to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1-10. Canceled

11. (New) A mounting track for supporting electrical components, the track comprising an elongate one-piece body of uniform transverse cross section, the track including:

an elongate, flat foot having opposed parallel foot edges and a plurality of mounting apertures extending through the foot for attaching the track to a support surface, the mounting apertures spaced along the foot and located adjacent one foot edge;

an elongate wall member joined to the flat foot and extending generally perpendicularly away from the flat foot at said one foot edge, said wall member located between such foot edge and said mounting apertures; and

an elongate component-mounting rail joined to the top of the wall member and overlying the foot, the rail comprising a generally flat base overlying the foot and two vertically offset mounting members each located above and to one side of the base, a plurality of access apertures extending through the base, each access aperture overlying a mounting aperture in the foot and having an area larger than the area of the mounting

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aperture, said access apertures located adjacent said wall member wherein said wall member facilitates alignment of a driving tool moved through an access aperture to a mounting aperture located below the access aperture for driving a fastener located in a mounting aperture into the support surface.

12. (New) The mounting track as in claim 11 wherein said access apertures are rectangular and each includes a side extending along an adjacent side of the wall member.

13. (New) The mounting track as in claim 12 wherein said mounting apertures are rectangular.

14. (New) The mounting track as in claim 11 wherein the wall member includes a plurality of spaced wall apertures, each wall aperture extending through the wall member.

15. (New) A mounting track for supporting electrical components, the track comprising an elongate one-piece body of generally uniform transverse cross section, the track having a horizontal width and a vertical height, the track including:

an elongate, flat foot having opposed parallel foot edges and a plurality of mounting apertures extending through the foot for attaching the track to a support surface, the mounting apertures spaced along the foot and located adjacent one foot edge;

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an elongate wall member joined to the flat foot and extending generally perpendicularly away from the flat foot at said one foot edge, said wall member located between said foot edge and said mounting apertures;

an elongate component mounting rail joined to the top of the wall member and overlying the foot, the rail comprising a generally flat base above the foot and two vertically offset mounting members each located above and to one side of the base, each mounting member having a member edge, the rail having a midpoint equidistant from each member edge, each mounting aperture in vertical alignment with the midpoint of the rail, the rail having a plurality of access apertures extending through the base, each access aperture overlying a mounting aperture in the foot and having an area larger than the area of the mounting aperture.

16. (New) The mounting track as in claim 15 wherein each mounting aperture and each access aperture is proximate the wall member.

17. (New) The mounting track as in claim 15 wherein the foot, wall member and base define a three sided interior wire-routing cavity.

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18. (New) The mounting track as in claim 17 wherein a foot edge distal the wall member is in vertical alignment with a member edge.

19. (New) The mounting track as in claim 18 wherein the wall member has one or more wall apertures extending through the wall member.